

LETTERS FROM HERE AND THERE

Star Route 2, Mile 4
Nenana, Alaska
May 17, 1972

Dear Howard:

Notice there is no paraphernalia on this letter (knowing you for over 30 years) gives me "grandfather rights," I hope.

You had some great writings since the paper was born, but I think that Allen Alowa's testimony was a jewel. I think the writing was so great — that you ought to have a plaque made of his speech in your place of business. If you can't have the whole speech, you should have the last five paragraphs written and have them at your office. To me, they were the most moving words — May 10, 1972 edition. Never in my whole life time have I heard words said — "tell it the way it is."

Telling it the way it is — may Lael Morgan write more and more about the sea mammals

of the north and how the people depend on them. Borrowing from Allen Alowa's testimony — "How much more evidence do you need than the hundreds of years we've made it work."

The hunting of sea mammals is the way of life up there. How do I know? I've been there.

Ronald Nusunginya